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RESOLUTION OF SENATE MAJORITY PURPOSE IN THE 92ND CONGRESS

The Majority Policy Committee of the United States Senate, having noted with deep concern the burdens which are imposed on the people of the nation by the continuing involvement in the war in Indochina, by the decline in the economy and by the unsatisfactory state of the public services--federal, state and local--and by the continuing fear of citizens for their freedom and safety;

RESOLVES, That it is the sense of the Committee that in the 92nd Congress the Senate Majority should work to achieve the following purposes:

1. To end the involvement in Indochina and to bring about the withdrawal of all U.S. forces and the release of all prisoners in a time certain;
2. To stop the inflation and reverse the recession and, further, to take all possible interim measures to alleviate the condition of those who are the principal victims of these failures of public leadership--businessmen, the unemployed, farmers, social security and other retired pensioners and families of fixed, moderate or inadequate income;
3. To contribute to a streamlining of federal-state financial relationships which will insure more equitable distribution of costs and a more efficient flow of public services to the people as, for example, in welfare, health, safety, transportation, recreation, education--provided always that fiscal responsibility for the expenditures of federal revenues shall not be impaired.
4. To bring about by close oversight of present procedures by streamlining and/or by consolidation where necessary, a more effective operation of the legislative and executive branches of the federal government;
5. To strengthen police training and compensation; and the court system, including probation, parole; and correctional institutions.

RESOLVES, Further, that in pursuit of these objectives, the Committee urges full support wherever possible by both Senate Democrats and Republicans of the initiatives of the President, the Senate Committees and Members, and the House, which may be pertinent to these ends.